

# Badaguish Snow Clearing and Salt/Grit Policy for Self-Catering Guests

**It is our aim to ensure that guests have an enjoyable visit to Badaguish.** For this reason we wish you to be sure that Badaguish is the right choice for the purpose of your visit and that you make an appropriate choice of location and time of year. We hope you will find the attached advice and guidance helpful and thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**Badaguish is an Outdoor Centre in a remote forest location at 1100ft in the Cairngorm Mountains. Access is by a 2 mile single track road through the forest and is uphill with some sharp bends.** Mountain weather conditions can be unpredictable, unusual and quickly change. All practicable and reasonable action is taken to keep the access road and passing places open and snowploughed. Salt/Grit bins are provided on sharp bends and steeper slopes for guests to use if conditions require it.

**During winter weather conditions guests are expected to take responsibility to be careful for themselves and for others when walking or driving on snow.** Slips and falls are common and an inherent risk in an outdoor mountain environment.

**We ask all guests to read carefully our advice and guidance at the time of booking:**

- a) Regarding the risk of ice and snow from November to March.
- b) Appropriate responsible actions and care that guests are required to take.

**ON BOOKING Take out cancellation insurance in case the Centre has to close.** For example for safety reasons during extreme weather conditions.

- Equipment failure or snow ploughing is unable to keep roads open.
- Power failure and we are unable to heat buildings.
- Salt and grit is not available to ensure safe access to buildings.

**PRIOR TO ARRIVAL Check the weather forecast and current local conditions.** Adjust your travel arrangements accordingly.

- Wear appropriate winter clothing and footwear to minimise the risk of personal injury.
- Ensure your vehicles have appropriate winter tyres.
- Please note that local garages will assist with vehicle recovery if required. For insurance reasons Badaguish staff cannot assist.

**ON ARRIVAL Observe carefully both the driving conditions on-site and underfoot.**

- If required there are salt/grit bins provided for your use around self-catering lodges and wigwams and alongside the access roads and car parks.

**SEEK ADVICE Contact the on-site warden:**

- Prior to arrival if you have any concern about the prevailing weather conditions.
- On arrival or during your stay to advise and update the warden with any difficulties or concerns at the earliest opportunity.

**DATE**

19/12/16

**SIGNED**

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